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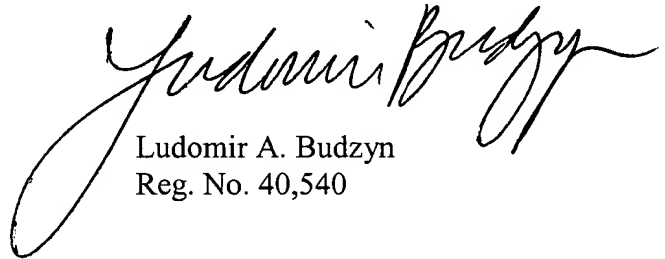
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In fulfillment of the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56,
Applicant submits herewith the following Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with
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The references cited herein had been listed in a search report generated in a
corresponding international application, PCT Application No. PCT/US02/24037. A copy of
the search report is enclosed. It is noted for the record that U.S. Patent No. 5,916,264 listed in

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning the above, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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the search report had been cited in a previous Information Disclosure Statement and is not included herewith.

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Copies of each of these references are attached herewith. All of the references listed above are also listed on Applicant's Form PTO-1449 which is attached to this Information Disclosure Statement for the convenience of the Examiner.